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- (a) (1) There is a Pathways in Technology Early College High School Program in the State.
- (2) The Department, in consultation with the Commission, shall administer and develop the Program to assist county boards in establishing P–TECH schools.
 - (b) (1) A P–TECH school:
 - (i) Shall:
- 1. Reserve at least 50% of its available space for students who meet the free and reduced price meal income criteria; and
- 2. Be established through a memorandum of understanding executed between one or more industry partners, one or more college partners, and a county board; and
 - (ii) May be established as a school within a school.
- (2) The memorandum of understanding executed in accordance with paragraph (1)(i)2 of this subsection shall include provisions ensuring that:
 - (i) Each P-TECH student receives:
 - 1. Substantive mentoring by an industry partner; and
- 2. At least one paid summer internship of at least 6 weeks' duration with an industry partner; and
- (ii) P-TECH students are first in line for consideration for a job at the industry partner after graduation.
- (c) A student who is enrolled in a P–TECH school may not be considered a dually enrolled student under Title 18, Subtitle 14A of this article.

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